## TIMELINE OVERHEAD #1

# **Early 1700s**

French people settle along the Detroit River and build a fort and trading post.

#### 1760s

The British, including people of English, Scottish, and Welsh descent, arrive and become the main ethnic group in the region.

### 1790s

**Detroit becomes part of the United States.** 

## 1830s

Large numbers of Irish and German people begin to settle in the region.

# 1840s

African Americans escaping slavery settle in the region.

# 1850s and 1860s

Europeans mainly from Northern and Western Europe continue to settle in the region, including people from Norway, Sweden, and Finland.

## TIMELINE OVERHEAD #2

#### 1870s

Chinese people begin to settle in Detroit. Many of them flee from discrimination in the western United States.



#### 1880s

Immigration increases from countries in Southern and Eastern Europe. People coming to the United States are from Italy, Greece, and Poland.



# **Early 1900s**

Many African Americans migrate from the southern states to the North. They are hoping to find a better life and more opportunities.



## 1920s

People from Mexico begin to settle in the Detroit region. Arabs from Lebanon, Iraq, and Syria also settle in the Detroit region.



## 1950s

The building of freeways and other factors result in many people from the city moving to the suburbs. This includes people from many different ethnic groups.

# **TIMELINE OVERHEAD #3**

# Late 1900s People from many countries in Latin America and Asia settle in Metropolitan Detroit.